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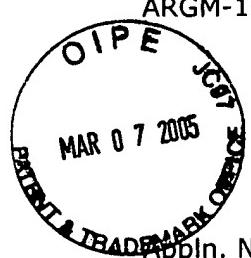
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 Applicant: E. Ohdachi  
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- 1) WO 02/12831
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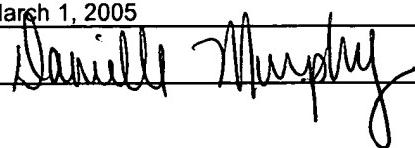
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